

Appln. No.: 10/651,911
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Remarks/Arguments

Reconsideration of this application is requested.

Claims 1-11, 23 and 25 have been canceled. The Examiner has objected to claims 1, 12 and 23-26 because of certain specified informalities. Claims 12, 24 and 26 have been amended to overcome the informalities.

Claims 25 and 26 have been rejected by the Examiner under 35 USC § 101 for being directed to non-statutory subject matter.

Claim 26 as amended is directed to statutory subject matter. Amended claim 26 is a method that utilizes a computer for providing instructions to a server so that a user will be able to select information sources having estimated values.

Claims 12, 20, 24 and 26 have been rejected by the Examiner under 35 USC § 112 for being independent for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Claims 12, 20, 24 and 26 have been amended to overcome the rejection under 35 USC § 112.

The Examiner has indicated that claims 12-22, 24 and 26 are allowed over the prior art. Applicant has amended claims 12, 20, 24 and 26 to overcome the informalities mentioned by the Examiner. The 35 USC § 112 and 35 USC § 101 rejections have been overcome.

In view of the above claims 12-22, 24 and 26 are patentable. If the Examiner has any questions would the Examiner please contact the undersigned at the telephone number noted below.

Respectfully submitted,



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